



ARIZONA SUPREME COURT
Child Support Guidelines Review Committee
MEETING MINUTES
September 2, 2008
Supreme Court Building, Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Hon. Rebecca Albrecht
Mr. Robert L. Barrasso
Hon. Bruce R. Cohen, Chair
Ms. Helen Davis
Prof. Ira Ellman
Ms. Kim Gillespie
Ms. Cele Hancock
Ms. Gloria Pearson
Comm. Rhonda Repp
Hon. Kevin White

STAFF:

Kathy Sekardi
Lorraine Nevarez

GUESTS PRESENT:

Tara Ellman
Theresa Barrett

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. David Horowitz
Hon. Michala Ruechel
Hon. Sarah Simmons

Call to Order

Chairman, Judge Cohen, called the telephonic meeting to order at 12:22 p.m. and welcomed the members.

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the August 8, 2008 minutes.

MOTION: The August 8, 2008 minutes were approved and seconded as submitted.

Reports from Task Groups

Judge Cohen asked the workgroups to report on their progress:

- A. *Case Law/Legislative Updates/ARFLP:* Cele Hancock reported she met with the State Bar ARFLP Committee and asked them to review comments made by Tom Alongi and Mark Armstrong. Ms. Hancock also reported the ARFLP Committee discussed the new cash medical support law (HB2505) and that collaboration will need to take place to ensure that any references or new language in the guidelines is consistent with the language added to the ARFLP to address this issue.

- B. ***Income Determination:*** The task group has nothing to report at this time.
- C. ***IV-D:*** The task group has been discussing the new statute (HB2505) regarding cash medical support and the new federal regulations that need to be followed. The task group has been determining how to approach these regulations and address those affected by the requirements. The task group will discuss and formulate recommendations to the full committee suggesting ways to incorporate this information and make it functional. Task member Kim Gillespie will give a presentation discussing the issues and concerns of this new law at the next committee meeting.
- The task group also discussed orders that allocate responsibility for uninsured medical expenses. Enforcing these orders is problematic as a large percentage of people fail to provide appropriate documentation when they come to court to enforce these orders and the system is not setup to efficiently process these issues. The task group will further their discussion and make recommendations to the Committee regarding this matter.
- D. ***Adjustments to Income:*** The task group has been reviewing the applicable guideline sections, assigned responsibilities, and will have some proposed changes prepared for the next meeting.
- E. ***Spreadsheet Study Task Group:*** The task group has scheduled two meetings in September and will provide a report at the next Committee meeting.

The Committee agreed to extend the next meeting to 2:30 p.m. and to include an agenda item discussing public comments and assigning issues to the appropriate task groups. The task groups will meet at the September 26, 2008 meeting and report to the whole committee.

Review, Discuss and Assign Website Comments

This agenda item was tabled to next committee meeting scheduled for September 26, 2008.

Discuss Other Items to Add to Agenda List

The Committee identified discussing the Medical Support bill.

Develop September 26, 2008 Agenda

The Committee proposed the following agenda items:

1. Call to Order
2. Minutes
3. Kim Gillespie to give presentation on Medical Support bill
4. Breakout session for Task groups
5. Reports from Task groups
6. Committee to resume as a whole

Call to the Public

Public did not comment.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.